

*"Campaign for American Children and Families" Visits Three Texas Cities
(April 9-10) to Spotlight U.S. Citizens and Non-Citizens Whose
Families Are Being Split By Deportations*

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(Washington, DC) – After successfully launching a multi-city tour last week in Washington to lift up the voices of families around the country whose lives are being turned upside down by deportations (link to March 31 press release: <http://bit.ly/g1ZWgj>), Rep. Luis V. Gutierrez (D-IL-4) participated in packed tour events in Providence and Boston over the weekend. This coming weekend, the Congressman will participate in tour events in Houston (April 9), Austin (April 9) and Dallas (April 10).

Almost 400,000 people are deported each year and approximately four million U.S. citizen children have at least one parent who could be deported under current law. Each tour stop will include petitions to President Obama asking him to use his power under existing law to spare immigrants with deep equities in the U.S. -- including citizen family members, military service, and eligibility for the DREAM Act -- from the fear of deportation. Tour stops will typically include a large church gathering with the testimony of these families and students and others caught in the unprecedented number of deportations currently taking place. The tour will stop in at least twenty cities and will continue throughout at least April and May.

Texas Events April 9-10

- HOUSTON, TX: Saturday April 9 | 12 noon | Church Cosecha Final | 8823 Frey Road | Houston, TX 77034-3501
- AUSTIN, TX: Saturday April 9 | 7 pm | Iglesia Catolica Cristo Rey | 2208 East 2nd Street |

Austin, TX 78702-4608

- DALLAS, TX: Sunday April 10 | 3pm | Iglesia Jesucristo Es Mi Refugio | 2929 S. Westmoreland | Dallas, TX 75233

Boston, Massachusetts (April 3)

- La Casa De Cultura, East Boston, hosted by Centro Presente and joined by Rep. Michael Capuano (D-MA).
- "Call for change stirs East Boston immigrants" (*Boston Globe*): <http://bo.st/iiSdUX>
- "Illinois Congressman Holds Immigration Rally In East Boston" (WBZ 1030 AM/CBS-Boston): <http://bit.ly/fsdG25>

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Providence, Rhode Island (April 2)

- Instituto Biblico de Rhode Island/Biblical Institute of RI, hosted by the Christian Coalition for Political Action
- "Ill. congressman visits Providence to talk about immigration policy" (*Providence Journal*): <http://bit.ly/f4Gv7A>
- "Large turnout for deportation rally: About 1,000 people in attendance" (WPRI-TV/Fox Providence): <http://bit.ly/gRHudi>

National Tour (Selected Press Coverage)

- "Families urge Obama to end deportations" (3/31/11 | Associated Press): <http://fxn.ws/dWouuU>
- "Activists fight immigrant roundups" (4/1/11 | *Washington Times*): <http://bit.ly/hHQStn>
- "Immigrants Demand That Obama Act on Promises of Reform" (4/1/11 | EFE News Service/ *Latin American Herald Tribune*): <http://bit.ly/exeuFy>
- "Bill Cameron: Connected to Chicago Interview with Rep. Gutierrez" (4/3/11 | WLS-AM Chicago): <http://bit.ly/fyd8TT>

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